SHmmlng Clinics and Gymnasiums

1755. SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA: Will the Minister of* HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the mushrooming of slimming clinics and gymnasiums in Delhi;

(b) whether opening of such clinics requires any licence or any conditions are required to be fulfilled by the proprietors before opening the clinics;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof;

(d) if answer to part (b) above, be negative, whether Government would consider the desirability of putting the slimming clinics and gymnasiums under licence, besides laying down appropriate norms and conditions for their functioning in the larger interest of customers; and

(e) if so, the steps taken by Government in this direction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI N.T. SHANMUGAM): (a) The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare does not maintain data in this regard.

(b) and (c) The Government of NCT of Delhi has informed that at present there is no law which requires slimming clinics and gymnasiums to obtain a licence as a health care facility.

(d) and (e) The Government of NCT of Delhi has informed that they have no proposal for enacting any law for regulating such clinics.

Dispute about HIV by academy of nutrition improvement

1756. DR. MAHESH CHANDRA SHARMA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of a leaflet of Academy of Nutrition Improvement, district Nagpur;

(b) if so, whether Government have conducted an enquiry regarding the dispute raised about HIV; and